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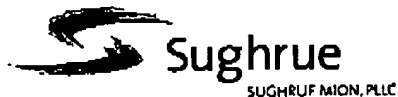
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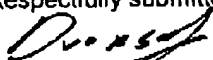
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Further to our teleconference of today, I am forwarding a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 26, 2002 for the present application. Please forward the initialed PTO/SB/08 to us at your earliest convenience.

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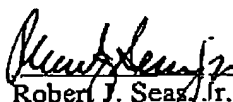
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